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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants : Mo Jafari et al.  
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Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR JOINING TWO GUIDE WIRE  
CORE MATERIALS WITHOUT A HYPOTUBE  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 16, 2006**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in reply to the Office action of October 16, 2006, a response to which is due on January 16, 2007.

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